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State of Pennsylvania,  
County of Lancaster, }

I, before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for State and county aforesaid, personally appeared James G. Fisher, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Business Manager of *Park's Floral Magazine*, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, to wit: That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor and business manager are: Publisher, Lapark Seed and Plant Company, editor J. R. Eddy, and business manager, James G. Fisher, Lapark, Pa. That the owner is Lapark Seed and Plant Company of which H. S. Zimmerman, Paradise, Pa., H. C. Brockbill, Strasburg, Pa., E. H. Mellinger, Ronks, Pa., C. A. Hershey, Paradise, Pa., D. McKendall, Hampton, N. J., A. Weaver, Lancaster, Pa., H. B. Leaman, Ronks, Pa., B. S. Still & Co., Inc., Lancaster, Pa., F. N. Baer, Selangus, Pa., J. G. Fisher, Lapark, Pa., J. H. Fisher, Lapark, Pa., are owners of 1 per cent or more of the total amount of stock. That H. C. Brockbill, Strasburg, Pa., C. A. Hershey, Paradise, Pa., A. Weaver, Lancaster, Pa., H. B. Leaman, Ronks, Pa., are holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds. Mortgage, Peoples Trust Company, of Lancaster, Pa., Trustee for Bondholders. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the ownership and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by him.

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(My commission expires Jan. 8, 1924)

## MISTLETOE AND CHRISTMAS

"The mistletoe hung in the castle hall,  
The holly branch shone on the old oak wall."  
—Bayly.

With the approach of the Christmas season come also the Christmas greens: holly, lycopodium, mistletoe, laurel and cedar clippings. Of all these the lycopodium, commonly known as ground pine, is most common and widely used for decorating. Holly follows a close second; there is something so cheerful and suggestive of the gaiety of the season about its bright red berries and shining green leaves. But perhaps the most popular of all, as far as the younger people are concerned, is the mistletoe. Is there not a piece hanging in nearly every door through which you pass during the holiday season?

Mistletoe is a parasite, that is, it obtains its nourishment from the living tissues of the tree on which it grows. It has no roots of its own and does not begin at the ground, it is found hanging from apple trees, and other similar varieties, such as pear and hawthorne, also, sometimes, from sycamores, limes, poplars, locusts and firs. It gives a peculiar appearance to an orchard in winter, when the branches are bare save for its growth. This was noted in Shakespeare's day when he wrote these few lines:

"A barren, detested vale, you see, it is;  
The trees, though summer, yet forlorn and lean,  
O'ercome with moss and baleful mistletoe."

It is the common belief that mistletoe prefers oaks, but it is rarely found on these, and, when so discovered, used to be held in special veneration by the Druids, while the Celts supposed it bore magical qualities.

Among the early European nations it was regarded as a ceremonial plant and it was then that the custom of kissing under the mistletoe probably originated. From Christmas Eve until the dawning of the New Year this practice prevails and it is said a berry must be plucked for each kiss there obtained.

Strange as it may seem, the mistletoe is closely connected with the numerous superstitions of the ancient Germans and British Druids. Balder, God of Light and Peace, and of the good, beautiful, eloquent and wise, was slain by a scheme of the evil Loki, who gave a dart of mistletoe to the blind Hoder. It seems that mistletoe was the only thing in creation which had not taken an oath to do the god no harm.

A great deal of this plant grows in the temperate and warmer regions of Europe, where it is known as *Viscum album*. *Viscum* is an old Latin name used by Vergil and Pliny. The variety grown in our country, closely allied to *viscum* and of the same appearance, is *Phoradendron flavescens*. This name is composed of two Greek words meaning thief and tree, referring to its habit of growth.

Mistletoe grows on trees as far north as New Jersey and southern Indiana and southward to Texas and Florida, also in California. Most

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# PARK'S FLORAL MAGAZINE

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## FRIENDS' FLORAL CORNER My Special Letter No. 5.

Each of the representatives that I told you about in the October issue is furnished with a printed daily report which must be made out every evening and mailed to us, together with a list of subscriptions taken during the day.

After these reports have been checked and filed, the lists of subscriptions go to another department, where the name and address of each subscriber is copied by a typewriter on a wrapper, with a star if it is for one year, two stars for two, and so on. This wrapper is checked with the original to see that the address is written correctly.

Uncle Sam's Post Office Department requires that publishers follow quite an intricate plan in entering subscriptions, but it is very helpful to the post office clerks. Every post office has a certain number called a section number. Consequently every subscriber's post office must be looked up in section guides and the number written right on this wrapper, of which I am speaking. When that is done all the wrappers that have been marked during the day or two days are passed on to another young woman who has charge of sorting these wrappers by section numbers so that all section no. 1 are together. Daily or weekly, depending upon the balance of subscriptions coming through these wrappers, section by section go to the Stencil Department where trained operators perforate the names and addresses and section numbers on stencils, which are parchments stretched on card board frames about three inches long and one and a half wide. This perforating is done by means of typewriters in which needle points have been substituted for the smooth surfaced type. Once a month all the stencils of each section number are placed in the main subscription list arranged alphabetically by Subscriber's names within the section number. This is complicated and so is my description of the process, but the idea I want to convey is that no longer can you go to your subscription list and look up a subscriber simply by having her name and her city or town. You must first look in the section indexes to get the section number.

Once a month the list is corrected in the manner I have described, after which the placing of addresses is begun. These stencils are placed in regular state order and by case number in what is known as an addressing Machine, a sort of printing press. The electric current is turned on and the machine carries each stencil, one after the other, along a track, a roller with purple ink on it deposits sufficient ink on the bottom of the stencil, a narrow strip of paper on an endless roll, is passed over the top of the stencil and just at the right number a sort of hand comes down, presses the paper on to the inked stencil, and the address is printed and the next stencil is ready for the same operation. The record for addressing by one person in a single day is 42,000.

When the state is finished a strip of paper is cut for the next state taken in hand.

Let us assume that the first State printed is

Alabama and it really is Alabama. Alabama is taken down two floors to the Mailing Department and there it is reeled tightly on to a roller and placed on a wonderful little machine called a Dick Mailer, made of aluminum to be light and strong. This machine has a place to hold liquid paste. Alabama is carried along on a belt and the necessary amount of paste is deposited on the under side while it moves. You just touch the pile of Magazines lightly with a spring on the under side of the Mailer and down comes a knife and cuts the list so that a single address is pasted on the front of a single magazine. An experienced mailer can stamp and should stamp 25,000 Magazines a day. We have had stamps that have reached 29,000, and the record is something like 35,000.

A separate stencil is made for the post office with its section number. It is always printed last and it is stamped on a wrapper instead of on a Magazine. The size of the wrapper varies according to the number of subscribers in the Post Office.

These piles of addressed Magazines and wrappers are passed on to what are known as "rollers", girls usually who wrap the Magazines and tie them if the bundle is large enough to require string.

Now comes a more difficult process, that is the gathering of certain numbers together. This is entirely for the use of the railway mail clerk who goes by section numbers instead of post office, and publishers are furnished with lists showing how these groups must be made. After the sections are gathered together to make a sufficiently large bundle they are tied together with string, after which we must again follow government instructions in putting certain routes and section numbers by themselves in sacks. Some few post offices are large enough to have a section number and be sacked by themselves, like Chicago, for instance. By-the-way, we have more than 15,000 subscribers in the great city of Chicago, particularly all in the suburbs, nearly every one having a garden or at least plants in the house. The reason for having so many subscribers in Chicago is that we experimented with our new subscription plan in Chicago for nearly a year to get it exactly right.

After the Magazines are placed in the mail sacks we deliver them right into the post office which is in our own building and there our responsibility ceases. We have done our work, generally accurately, we have paid the government postage, according to the zone in which the subscriber lives, and the Post Office Department undertakes to deliver the Magazines to their destinations.

If I write another letter I want it to be more particularly on what subscribers can do to co-operate with editors and publishers to help them publish a more interesting and helpful Magazine.

General Manager.

December's the best and last month of the year, For with it come Christmas and all of its cheer, There's snow covering everything, all is so white, Let's hail it, good people, with all of our might!

# PARK'S FLORAL MAGAZINE

LaPark, Pennsylvania.

## BLOOMS INDOORS AND OUT

It is the season when the light of dreams  
Around the year in golden glory lies;—  
The heavens are full of floating mysteries,  
And down the lake the veiled splendor beams!  
Like hidden poets lie the hazy streams,  
Mantled with mysteries of their own romance,  
While scarce a breath disturbs their drowsy trance.  
—Reade.

**T**HE greatest of the mysteries we flower  
lovers are thinking about now are those  
curious brown bulbs we have tucked  
away in our flower beds and borders,

and in all sorts  
of odd places  
where we want  
a bright bit of  
color early next  
Spring. It is  
wonderful to  
think of the prom-  
ise that Nature  
gives us when  
we plant these  
bulbs, for surely  
their outward  
appearances do  
not give signs of  
what treasures  
there are folded  
away beneath  
those Winter  
coats.

This year we  
have planted  
clumps of all  
kinds of narcis-  
sus in our hardy  
border among  
the phlox, lark-  
spur, delphinium  
and other  
perennials.  
Right around  
our prize red  
poppies we have  
Narcissus Poet-  
icus, for the red  
and white are so  
pretty together.  
We have quite a  
few hyacinths in  
the bed, too, for  
the Golden Spur  
Narcissus just  
need some of  
those dark King of the Blues, I think, to show  
you how pretty they are. We have not fol-  
lowed any definite design, for we want the  
bed to look as if Nature herself had planned it,  
and everything is set out in groups and  
clumps, save the crocuses. These we have  
set in a double line the entire length of the  
plantings and when they bloom they always  
remind me of ribbons holding the huge bou-  
quet of flowers together, and without which  
the flowers might fall out.

But while we think we have our work all  
done, I can imagine that some of you have

been less fortunate and too busy to get your  
bulbs planted, and you are broken-hearted  
when you hear all the rest of us talking about  
the lovely flowers we are going to have next  
Spring. It is not too late now; you have  
plenty of time to plant your bulbs, so cheer  
up and start to work. If your beds are frozen  
see if you cannot find some soil in a secluded  
spot in the garden that can be used. Then  
plant your bulbs on top of the bed the same  
way and in the same designs as you would have

had the bed  
been dug.  
When the  
bulbs are  
all in posi-  
tion, sprin-  
kle the soil  
over them  
and on top  
put some  
leaves or  
straw to  
protect the  
bed from  
sudden  
thaws and  
freezes. A  
bed that is  
higher is  
just as at-  
tractive as  
one that is  
lower, and  
your blooms  
will be as  
pretty in  
the Spring  
as your  
neighbor's.  
Beds are  
quite fre-  
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the lawn in  
order to in-  
sure proper  
drainage,  
for bulbs  
rot when al-  
lowed to  
stand where  
it is con-  
stantly



TULIPS BLOOMING FOR THANKSGIVING

damp.

If you thought a little ahead perhaps you  
dug your beds and covered them with straw  
and leaves so that the ground would not be  
frozen when you were ready to plant. In this  
case you can go ahead about your work just  
the same as if it were earlier in the Fall; the  
leaves and straw are removed, the beds are  
planted, and the leaves go back on top. When  
bulbs are planted late in the season their  
blooms are not injured in any way; they sim-  
ply do not give flowers quite as early in the  
season as those planted before.



Many are the times we have not been able to plant our bulbs until late in December, but we have always had flowers in the Spring that people have come miles to see. There are usually a few warmer days that will make your soil soft enough to be easily worked, so that it will not be so hard to set out your bulbs.

But why wait until Spring for all these flowers? Many of us are not going to, we have bulbs planted in pots that are put away in the dark until they are well-rooted. We have ours planted in what the florists call pans. They are not what housekeepers call pans, they are simply shallow pots. It takes the tulips, set away in a dark, cool cellar, or a room where they will not freeze, from five to six weeks to grow good, strong roots. Then they are brought into a moderate temperature where the atmosphere is rather moist. They like water, but not too much of it, and will droop if you let them freeze, while sun shining directly on them is most objectionable.

This year we planned to have tulips constantly in bloom, in the house, so we began as soon as we received our bulbs, and each week potted and set away a handful of them. Such planting can be carried on until December, and in this way one can have a fresh pan to bring into the house every week during the Winter. Though there is ice and snow outdoors, inside everything is gay with flowers. Tulips can be grown in water, too, like the hyacinths, but this is not often done and we prefer soil for them.

Hyacinths are especially lovely potted for house-blooming. The bigger bulbs should be chosen and planted singly in five-inch pots in a rich compost of loam, leaf-mold and sharp sand. After we have our pots all ready we bury them between eight and ten inches deep in the open ground, or you can use a cold frame if you are fortunate enough to have one, for seven or eight weeks. During this time the roots will have developed and there is usually a sprout about an inch and a half above the bulb. When ready they can be taken in the house, but not where there is much light or a temperature of more than fifty degrees, until the sprout becomes green. Then they can be kept anywhere you want

them to bloom. The longer you give the bulbs in the dark, the finer will be the results, and when the flower-spike is developing weak manure-water is found of great benefit. We like single hyacinths better for growing in the house, and find that they force more easily, but many of our friends think there is nothing more desirable than the double varieties.

Have you ever tried growing the hyacinths in water? They grow well set on stones in dishes and look pretty that way. The stones hold the bulbs up out of the water, for you know they will rot if allowed to stand in it.

the base should just barely touch it. The roots grow all around the stone and form a regular entanglement that holds up the lovely spikes of bloom.

I like to put my hyacinths in regular hyacinth glasses. These are tall and of such a shape that the bulb will just fit in the top, while the roots grow downward, through the stem of the glass. It is interesting to watch their progress from day to day—you can fairly see them grow. The glasses are placed in a dark closet until there has developed a sufficient root-system, and the main flower stem has grown to about three inches. Times vary according to amount of heat they are given and when they were planted, but we must not be over-anxious to get our bulbs out where we can watch them. Even if they are in the dark, do not let it be a case of "out of sight, out of mind"; water must be added occasionally for the roots are great drinkers, and a little piece of wood charcoal will keep the liquid clear and sweet.

From France we get the Roman Hyacinths. In this country the bulbs are ripened several weeks

earlier than the Holland grown varieties and are received sooner in our own country. They are grown in the house in the same way as the Dutch bulbs, for they are not hardy, except that several can be planted in one pot. The fragrant florets are farther apart on the stems and the blooms are more graceful than the other hyacinths, helping, along with their ease of culture, to make them very popular. When one spike fades another is ready to take its place. Our bulbs always have three flowers, and on some we have counted four. These bulbs are especially pretty and much appre-

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# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**C**HRISTMAS-TIME! What picture does the thought of it bring to your mind? If you hail from Old England, doubtless you will think of the yule-log and the old song that runs:

"Come, bring with noise,  
My merrie, merrie boys,  
The Christmas log to the firing".

If you come from rural New England, you may be thinking of spruce and balsam Christmas trees, a snowy landscape and jingling



sleigh bells; or if the sunny Southland was your birthplace, then Christmas probably means to you the jolliest, merriest day of the year, with firecrackers popping, horns blowing and bells ringing.

Wherever you are and whoever you are, the Christmas season should be one of happiness and good cheer, for the spirit of Christmas is making others happy, and when we do that we generally make ourselves happy too.

When you pass a "house by the side of the road" on Christmas eve what is so cheery as to see lighted candles in the windows? They seem to speak a greeting to you, a real "Peace on earth, good will toward men". You know they are symbolic of the star the three wise men saw shining in the East, and you know there is real Christmas feeling in a house that has a Christmas candle lighted in its window.

In grandmother's day the Christmas candle was always a candleberry dip, for even after tallow and paraffine candles and kerosene lamps had done away with the necessity of gathering candleberries to provide lights for winter evenings, the spirit of Colonial times still clung to the fragrant candleberry dip and it was like a little light shining in commemoration of Christmases of the past.

In the old days families often moved to localities where candleberries grew, and camped out for several weeks each autumn to gather their supply of berries. In big kettles of boiling water over open camp-fires the women stirred the berries which the men and children gathered. The melted wax was skimmed off and strained through sieves and finally through cloth, and then poured into pans to harden into bricks which could be packed and carried home where the candleberry dips could be made at leisure. In these days when we can buy clarified candleberry wax by the pound all ready for use, we don't realize the work it was then to get the wax ready for making dips, but it seems to me that in with the labor there must have been a lot of fun

gathering and preparing the fragrant harvest.

So much individuality can be put into Christmas gifts! Wreaths of spruce or hemlock made from branches on which there are cones, and tied with big bows of red ribbon, are a good substitute for the holly wreath, and persons of sentiment will appreciate them, coming fresh from their native woods.

Moss globes holding moss and tiny ferns and bright red partridge berries make charming gifts to be enjoyed all winter. A friend had a bowl in which a cricket lived one season.

Of course red and green are the colors for Christmas, and of course red flowers are the favorite, bright, glowing red, not only because they seem to radiate warmth and good cheer but also because they contrast so sharply with the winter season. The reddest flower of all is the poinsettia; but this doesn't do very well away from hothouse conditions. A pot of red Duc van Thol tulips may be bought at the florist's, and are especially lovely with a feathery fern growing in the center. These bulbs cannot be forced for Christmas by the amateur without a greenhouse. Then there is the crab cactus which has the brightest red flowers of any winter blooming plant that is good for house culture; the energetic little Baby Rambler rose, which will blossom all the time if given a sunny window; and the Chinese primrose, with its bright flowers and hand some foliage. But the cheapest and easiest grown flowering plant of the season is the honest old geranium, and who would ask for a prettier gift than a handsome red geranium? A wicker jardiniere will give a little touch of distinction, and a healthy plant that is just bursting full of bloom will cheer up the living room during all the dull weeks when we are waiting for crocuses to appear. To be in bloom at Christmas, geraniums should be started in to growth early in the summer, and not be allowed to flower before winter.



BRIGHT POINSETTIAS

Red flowers are by no means the only ones fit to carry a message of love at Christmas time. Roman Hyacinths, which may be forced to bloom in six weeks, and Paper White narcissus and Chinese sacred lily, both of which, if placed in bowls of sand and water by November 15th, will be in bloom by Christmas, all make acceptable gifts. So let Nature enter into your Christmas this year and brighten the day with cheerful plants and flowers.

Florence Boyce Davis, N.Y.



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## HARVEST HOME

**T**HREE hundred and one years ago the first Thank-giving was celebrated among our hills and hollows. In December, 1621, Edward Winslow wrote to a friend in England:

Indian corn and sowed some six acres of barley and peas, and, according to the manner of the Indians, we manured our ground with herrings, or rather shads, which we have in great abundance, and take with great ease at our doors.

"Our corn did prove well; and, God be praised, we have a good increase of Indian corn, and our barley indifferent good, but our peas not worth the gathering, for we feared they were too late



LOVELY DOUBLE GERANIUMS

"You shall understand that, in the little time that a few of us have been here, we have built seven dwelling-houses and four for the use of the plantation and have made preparations for divers others. We set the last spring some twenty acres of

down. They came up very well and blossomed; but the sun parched them in the blossom.

"Our harvest being gotten in, our governor sent four men on fowling, so that we might after a special manner, rejoice



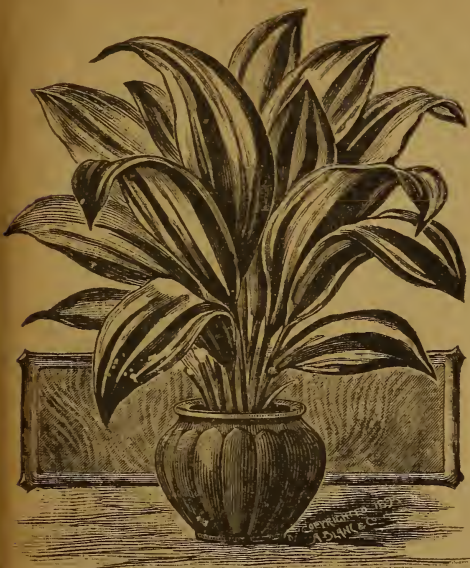
together after we had gathered the fruit of our labors."

History tells us about the feast, but only imagination can do justice to the

from the rafters, the house is stored with the fruits of our labors. Even in the kitchen window grandma's bunch of marigolds hangs ripening in the sun.

Surely we have reason to meet together and to rejoice.

One definition of Harvest-home is "the opportunity of gathering treasure." Of the four seasons of the year, autumn is the one for treasure gathering. Sarah starts in before the first leaf turns yellow; she gets out pots and boxes and begins taking up geraniums in the flower garden, and then she sends them around the neighborhood, wherever there is a flower lover who hasn't any house plants for winter. Sarah's red geraniums brighten up a good many windows when snow covers the ground. And after she has supplied the neighbors, she fills her own windows. She declares every year she isn't going to keep so many plants



ASPIDISTRA LURIDA VARIEGATA

picture. There were the long pine tables that had been built out under the trees, and around them were gathered the men of the colony, headed by Governor Bradford, and their Indian guests, King Massasoit and his ninety braves. Captain Miles Standish was there, and John Alden; and pretty Priscilla was one of the white-capped girls who gathered wild flowers to deck the festive board, and heaped native fruits and nuts in wooden bowls, and kept the plates filled with savory venison and turkey and roasted water fowl, and barley loaves and corn bread and pastries. Such a feast, and such a gathering in the New World! And all because they wanted to rejoice together after gathering in the fruits of their labors.

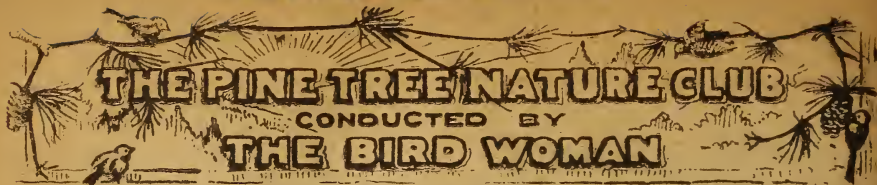
Three centuries have brought many changes, but still as November draws to a close we keep Thanksgiving. The harvest is gathered in, mows and granaries are full, the stock is stabled and warm. From the cellar with its bins of potatoes and fragrant apples and shelves of canned fruits and vegetables, to the attic where the sage is spread out to dry, and the catnip and spearmint and wormwood are hanging



MONTEREHTIAS

another winter, but she never gets to the point of carrying out the threat. Only

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## BIRD HOMES

**I**N AUTUMN after the leaves have fallen is the best time to study bird homes. There are two reasons for this: the nests can be found better than when there are leaves to hide them; and the birds have moved out and there is no danger of disturbing the family. Very few birds' nests are ever used the second season, so one feels free to examine them at this time of year, or even carry them home to add to a



**ABANDONED!**  
nest collection.

By taking careful notes on the location and construction of a nest, and referring to a good book on the subject, one usually can tell to what birds the little home belonged. In spring and summer when you see a bird building, take heed of the place, but don't go to the nest unless you are willing some marauder should follow your track. Crows are quick to detect a path through the grass leading to a bird's nest, and cats and skunks and other bird enemies are apt to follow the trail. If the eggs are handled many birds will desert their nest. Instinct tells them that their hiding place is discovered, and it will be unsafe to try to raise their family there.

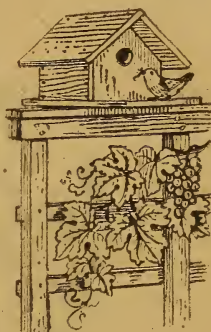
A nest when first built is more lovely than at the end of the season, but it is not nearly so interesting until it has held little eggs and cradled baby birds and served as a home. Then it becomes a treasure! So when we make a study of bird homes, let's go about it in the right spirit, respect the rights of the owners, and never be thieves and house breakers. Birds soon come to know their friends. Of course they can never quite trust us—we look so much like somebody else who may have done them an injury, but if we protect them and help them guard their little homes from danger, they will nest in our trees and about our houses, and sing their songs and help to make the sum-

mer beautiful.

Birds of a kind have a special pattern for nest building, and in general keep closely to their particular way, but that doesn't mean that they build exactly alike. For instance: the Vireos always hang their little cup-like nests on wishbone-shaped twigs; but though their nests are very similar in shape and building material, they show their individuality by decorating them in different ways; some use birch bark, others fix them up with lichen and plant fibre, and one that we saw was all trimmed with spiders' webs.



**WHOSE?**



**WHAT ONE BOY  
BUILT**

Chebecs make a round compact little nest and saddle it on a branch. The books say that they are made of soft fibre, fine grass, thin strips of bark, and hair; but we have often found them containing hens' feathers, strings, scraps of paper, and one that was built on an apple branch in our orchard had the outside covered with twine that had been fringed out by the bird's beak, giving the nest the appearance of a little ball of white cotton. Another Chebec's nest which blew down out of one of our shade trees had a thread woven in it from which dangled a fine sewing needle. Evidently Mrs. Chebec had been getting building material from our work basket on the porch.

Robin Redbreast's type of nest building is pretty well known; the pattern has been handed down through countless generations of robins. The directions read something like this: Select a building site sit down and whirl about in it and see if it feels right, then



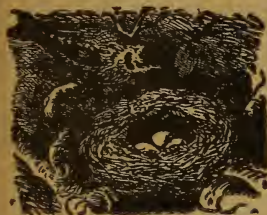
**NESTING IN THE GRASS**

gather straws and roots and dried grass and make a foundation. Build it round and firm, and when you have your frame up, plaster the walls with mud. Nothing else but frequent turnings around in it, working the plaster into place with the feet and smoothing it with the breast will make the



walls perfect. When well dried out, then gather the finest and softest dried grasses and make a neat rug for the floor. Now the house is all ready; move in any time.

But all Robins are not expert builders any more than all women are expert housekeepers. One nest that was in our porch



SECURELY HIDDEN

woodbine was round and firm, a perfect model with well plastered walls and a soft mat on the floor; there was even a bit of white lace worked into the outside for ornament. At the same time another pair of Robins built in the Dutchman's Pipe vine and their nest was a most slovenly affair, made of long ragged roots and weeds, poorly plastered, and the blue eggs laid right on the bare floor with no rug at all under them. Nevertheless, five husky, speckle-breasted youngsters were raised in it, and all seemed healthy and happy. A third Robin that we have in mind built her house on top of a Chipping Sparrow's, using the Sparrow's nest for part of her foundation. Possibly Mrs. Chippy had moved out, and Mrs. Robin had no bad designs in appropriating the property.

Most country boys and girls are familiar with Barn Swallows and the nests they build either inside or outside of barns. But did any of you ever try to make one? When the Bird Woman's mother was a little girl she worked day after day trying to make a mud nest like those the Swallows made in her father's barn. She gathered little pellets of mud and toiled patiently, trying to fasten them to a beam as she saw the Swallows doing up against the rafters, but always when the nest got



A HAPPY FAMILY

told their secret.

During the breeding season one is pretty sure to find Red-winged Blackbirds in the vicinity of some cat-tail swamp near a pond or river. Their nests, made of weeds and coarse grass are sometimes built in the grass, sometimes fastened to cat-tails or low bushes along the bank, not more than

five feet from the ground, and occasionally placed higher up in a near-by tree.

The Marsh Wrens, the Short-billed and the Long-billed, are often neighbors of the Red-wings, but finding a number of nests in one vicinity is no proof that there is more than one pair of Wrens dwelling there, for each pair have a curious habit of building more nests than they ever occupy. The nests are globular with the entrance on the side. They are made of grass and reeds, and lined with plant down. The nest of the Long-billed Marsh Wren is not so spherical as that of the Short-billed, but is inclined to be long and narrow, with irregular outline.



MADE FROM  
A LOG

Down by the river in the alders or wild grape vines one will be apt to find the rustic cottage of the Catbird. The nest, which is made of sticks, roots, weeds, strips of bark, and lined with fine roots, is quite artistic, sometimes so many sticks being used in the foundation that it measures ten or twelve inches across. Catbirds will also often come into briers or low bushes near the house to nest, much to the annoyance of other small birds who do not like them for neighbors.

Just why any bird should choose to bring up a family in a dark, sooty chimney is

a thing hard to understand, but Chimney Swifts, which in former times are said to have nested in hollow trees, ask no better place to fasten their little house of sticks than the inside of a chimney which is not in use. The twigs which form their nests are broken off by the birds when in flight, and are glued together and fastened to the bricks with a glutinous substance from the birds' salivary glands. Sometimes in damp weather the nests loosen and fall, bringing down little white eggs, or a brood of dusky baby birds.

When you see birds around the house pulling at the strings on which vines are trained, or at the loose ends of the clothesline, you may be sure they are looking for building material. Put out some pieces of



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## A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT

**I**n the Pine Tree Nature Club article for February of this year, under Pine Cones, the Bird Woman told you about an experiment which Mr. Sprague, of Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio, tried in the high school of which he is principal. Seventy-two of his

students received two hyacinths each and one primrose plant, on December 7th and an individual, detailed account of plantings, care and results was kept, which proved very interesting. The classes were especially enthusiastic about their flowers and the principal says: "I was greatly pleased to notice the boys, some of whom turned up their noses at the idea at first, admiring the flowers when they thought no one would see them."



### ON DISPLAY

their bulbs the first week in December, in four-inch flower pots, in a mixture of good garden loam and sand, with cinders in the bottom to insure proper drainage, and set them in the cellar to root. Some reported keeping theirs in fruit closets and other cupboards which were dark and cool. Most of the students placed boxes over the bulbs, so they would be sure to be in the dark. Some watered their bulbs once a week, others two and three times, in a few cases every other day. One little girl wanted to give hers special care, evidently, for it received moisture twice a day.

In anywhere from two weeks to a month

and a half the bulbs were brought into the light and placed in windows facing all directions, and in various rooms. Some took the precaution of bringing them gradually to the light and others used paper cones for the same purpose. Different care, and the various times at which the bulbs were brought to the light, gave flowers from the beginning of February all through March, and, while a great many had magnificent specimens, nearly all report beautiful blooms. These were taken from the homes to the school and distributed in the different class-rooms so that the whole student body of over seven hundred had the benefit of them. In this way a great, live interest in flowers was created.

There were only a few cases of failure due, probably, to overwatering and the fact that rats and mice ate the bulbs. But "experience is the best teacher" and this year's bulbs will not be overwatered, nor will the pots be set away in the dark where Mr. Rat and Mrs. Mouse will even get a peek at them.

The primroses were, for the greater part, planted in four inch pots, in rich garden soil with some sand, and cinders in the bottom for drainage. The plants were watered, some every day, some every other day, and others whenever necessary. A few of the plants died, but the majority were quite successful.

One boy says that his bloomed all the time; a girl reports she counted forty-five blossoms



PRIMROSE IN BLOOM

on hers, and a third had flowers the size of a "quarter." From one boy's report we quote: "My plant looked to me as though it was dead. I watered it and set it in the shed. About a week later I looked in the shed, and there it stood in bloom again. It is blooming at the present time (April) and is very beautiful." And he is not the only student whose plant was still blooming.

Although some students failed, the experiment was considered highly successful, and worthy of being followed by other schools, for it creates a love for the beautiful in Nature that can only be acquired by coming in direct contact with Nature herself.

Principal Sprague writes that his classes are planning to make the flower work of this year show the result of the first season of experiment. Editor.

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## CHRISTMAS

'Tis Christmas time around the world,  
And glory's ail ablaze;  
Joy and mirth are now unfurled—  
The best of holidays.  
This custom has come down from ages,  
From the wisemen and the sages,  
And it covers mistory's pages,  
And turns all hearts to praise.

The greatest thing, of all the things  
That hist'ries pages adorn,  
Is the coming of the King of Kings,  
Who all our sins has borne.  
Hark, oh hear the music ringing,  
'Tis the sound of angels singing,  
Glad the news which they are bringing,  
For Christ the Lord is born.

—Albert E. Vasser, Missouri.

## A LITTLE ABOUT WINTER GARDENS

If you are wandering over the hillside and come to an expanse of bushes covered with long, gracefully drooping stems with bunches of purplish red berries the whole length of them, you may be sure you have found symphoricarpos, in Latin vernacular, or if you want to talk about it in plain English, coral-berry. All the long months of July and August they bore tiny, pink blossoms clustered along the stems, which later developed into the red berries that still brave the rain and cold and frost and pendulously droop in sprays that are gradually dropping the faded, frozen leaves, while its berries grow even more red.

During the night the frost comes stilly down and coats the berries, and in the morning when the sun rises they sway in the gentle breeze a sparkling mass, the red showing beneath the silvery sheen. Perhaps they preserve their red berries for the Christmas season when they would be so fitting. If found, vick some of the sprays, dip them in hot parafine and hang where they will preserve their graceful droop, or give them an indoor coat of artificial frost by dipping them in a saturated solution of alum, and they may rival the holly and the mistletoe. Then remember Symphoricarpos if you can, or Coral-berry if not, and add another to Nature's decorative beauties. There is another member of the family of Symphoricarpos, called Snowberry that, if found, would combine beautifully with the red-berried variety as its larger berries are waxy white.

I have domesticated both the Coral-berry and the Snowberry from the prairie and the woods, as well as the red twigged dogwood, the beautiful red-berried "Wz-hoo" and the lovely native Bitter-sweet vine. With a few such plantings and the Winter birds, a garden is n-t the desolate thing in Winter that some would have us believe.

Friends, if you have not already done so, plant a few things for the Winter garden, and will not someone who has studied this phase of gardening more extensively, write an article Clematis, Nebraska.

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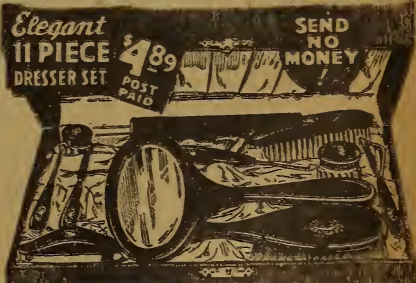
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## A DAHLIA DISASTER AND ITS HAPPY ENDING

"Procrastination is the thief of time". I can just "feel" that motto glaring at me from the wall of the "Little Red School House"—but sh-h-h! As mottoes are unknown in the modern, steamheated, up-to-the-minute, consolidated schools of the present time, someone might count the milestones between, but any way, I can vouch for the truth of that statement from sad experience.

Last Fall our Dahlias were left in the ground until quite late, so late, in fact, that after weeks and weeks of lovely Fall weather, it turned suddenly cold, on the eleventh of November, the mercury dropping to ten degrees above zero, and freezing the ground four inches deep. To make matters worse, there was not a spear of grass, or a single leaf over those precious Dahlia tubers, nothing but the remains of a "dust mulch" as a ground covering, and they had not been planted quite deep enough in the first place.

Well, I blubbered them a teary goodbye, thinking they were lost indeed, but John said, "Don't give up the ship, perhaps they are not dead yet!" So, armed with a mattock and a large linen handkerchief, we marched to the Dahlia garden. After chopping up great chunks of frozen soil in which the tubers were imbedded, the out-look seemed so hopeless that only a few clumps were lifted, but later, on the advice of a floral friend, a barrel of the tubers was stored, for the Winter.

Upon examination this Spring, we found that twenty-one varieties had withstood such treatment, and were sending up sprouts, and, I believe, many more could have been saved had we known they possessed such hardiness. Verily, more good luck than good management!

Kalif, Etendard de Lyon, Marguerite Bouchon, Rene Cayeux, Dreer's White, Le Grand Manitou, Nancy Mae and Hortulanus Fiet are among those that withstood the cold winter.

Now, I am not advocating such neglect, but for the benefit of those who, like myself, thought Dahlias could not stand the least freeze, and who, for various reasons, are delayed in lifting them, I give this experience.

However, troubles are forgotten when Dahlia enthusiasts come to one's aid and now I am looking forward to the pleasure of seeing my ninety varieties of choice Dahlia bloom again next Summer, and you may well believe that Procrastination will not have a "look in" when it comes to storing time.

Mrs. Wilda Carson, Indiana.



# THE ANGEL'S SONG

Once was heard the song of angels,  
Long ago, on Juda's plains,  
"Christ is born, a babe in Bethlehem",  
Was the news their song proclaimed.

And tonight we join the chorus  
That the angels chanted then:  
"Happy Christmas to all present.  
Peace on earth, good will to men".

Mrs. A. J. Foster, Vermont.

## AURATUMS, MY FAVORITE LILIES

Of all my lilies I believe the auratum is the grandest and the very best for pots, for the bulbs do not split into a half dozen little ones as do both the Bermuda and Japanese Harrisii. The auratum gets small bulblets on top of the main bulb, but these do not affect it in any way and they do not keep it from blooming, for its flowers appear about every eight months. My blossoms are eleven inches across and of unexcelled fragrance.

The bulb has very rich, but light soil, and is planted six inches deep for there is an enormous root system above the crown. Lilies resent disturbance. When my auratum has finished blooming in the summer I put it out of sight under some shrubbery, but if it has bloomed late in the fall I put it down in the cellar for five or six weeks, with never a drop of water as long as it is there.

The speciosum rubrum is a fine lily for pots, as it multiplies somewhat in the same manner as the auratum. The Japanese Harrisii is especially nice for pots as the flowers are of such enormous size and are beautiful with their waxy whiteness and exquisite fragrance, but when I think I have the bulbs almost to perfection they split into a lot of little bulblets. Does any one know a remedy for this?

Azalea, Mass.

**NOTE:** After once flowering, the bulbs often have the exasperating habit of splitting into three or four smaller ones, which require two or three years to bloom, and you can do nothing to break them of this habit.—Editor.

Dear Friends: I want to tell you of a discovery that I have recently made, quite by accident. I had a beautiful coleus, but one night was too cold and in the morning the leaves were drooping. I had not the heart to dispose of it immediately but left it on the plant table for three or four weeks, hoping it might pick up. Last week I examined it; it seemed a hopeless case, so I picked off two stalks and put them in a glass of water. To my astonishment and delight they now look as fresh and strong as ever.

It seemed so like a resurrection that I want to share my experience in the hope of helping some other despairing coleus lover.

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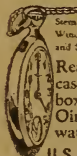
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## Solve This Puzzle

Can you make out the two words spelled by the numbers in the squares to the right? The alphabet is numbered: A is 1, B is 2, etc.

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4	15	12	12	25
7	9	22	5	14

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OVER A FOOT TALL



# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Are Oleanders poisonous? I. L., Miss.

A. Yes, Oleanders are poisonous, and some persons have died from carelessly eating the flowers, while cattle have been killed from eating the foliage.—EDITOR.

Q. What makes my Oleander drop its buds? Only a few poor specimens open. M. N., N. Dak.

A. When buds drop from Oleanders it is because the wood has been imperfectly ripened. Give plants plenty of light and air and water sparingly when growth stops. After flowering give less water and protect from frost, in winter. In April prune back the old wood and give more warmth and water because the flowers are borne on the growth of the year, which should be well ripened in June to set many strong buds.—EDITOR.

Q. What does echinocarpus mean? A. D., Ohio.

A. Echinocarpus means "prickly-fruited".—EDITOR.

Q. I wish you would tell us something about Anagallis. C. A. B., Ariz.

A. Anagallis are low, trailing herbs, mostly annual, some biennial and perennial, and are cultivated for their many bright-colored flowers, of scarlet, purple, blue and white, from June to August. The plants are easy to grow and thrive in a warm soil. Annual varieties are planted where desired to grow while the perennial kinds are increased by division, or cuttings rooted under glass. The variety arvensis, common Pimpernel, is known as Poor Man's Weatherglass from the fact that the flowers close very quickly at the approach of bad weather. The leaves grow right on the stems, opposite, or in threes, and the flowers are borne singly at each leaf joint.—EDITOR.

Q. Should Gladiolus be dug in the fall? W. T., Ills.

A. Yes, because they are not hardy and will not winter outdoors.—EDITOR.

Q. Does Larkspur bloom the same year it is planted? G. M. N., Oreg.

A. If started in the green-house or hot-bed, in March, or earlier, transplanted as necessary, and set out in the open in June, Delphinium, or Larkspur, will bloom the first season.—EDITOR.

Q. When and how should I prune my old-fashioned Snow-ball bush? F. L. H., Oreg.

A. A Snow-ball is naturally a badly shaped shrub, so prune it where it will improve the form, in July, or from January to March.—EDITOR.

Q. What are Sea-Onions? H. M., Ills.

A. The Sea-Onion is Urginea Scilla, also called Scilla maritima and Urginea maritima. It is a bulbous plant from the Mediterranean region and is used in the making of medicine. The scales of the bulb contain mucilage, sinistrin, sugar, and crystals of calcium oxalate. In Italy the bulbs are often seen producing perfect blooms which last for weeks, without earth or water.—EDITOR.

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white cotton twine and see how fast they will disappear, Baltimore Orioles Chipping Sparrows, Cedar Waxwings, Robins, Kingbirds and Goldfinches are especially glad to find a loose string lying about when they are building their nests.

One day a Baltimore Oriole came into the back yard looking around and jabbering in a way which I took to mean that she was in need of strings. We hung several pieces of twine, each about four feet long, on the pulley clothesline, and ran it out where she would see them. She spied them almost immediately, and was soon flying over the house with a long piece of white twine trailing out behind her. Presently she came for more. During the day we put out fifteen pieces of twine, and she took them all except three which were colored, the rest being white.

She made a wonderful nest in a neighboring elm, and in the fall after the babies had been raised and the family had started south, we secured the nest. It was all made of twine with a lining of horsehair, shaped like a bag, measuring seven inches in length, the circumference of the bag twelve inches, and the diameter of the opening at the top less than two inches. The bottom was woven firmly, making a safe cradle but toward the top it was looser, thereby admitting of free circulation of air so the babies would be comfortable. Just look at the wisdom of these little orange and black neighbors of men. None but a winged enemy can reach their nest which they fasten to an overhanging branch high in the air, and jays, crows or hawks seldom molest it, possibly because it looks so much like a hornet's nest, with the baby birds safely out of sight.

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### PINE CONES

One of our members, Elizabeth Dietrick, of Elwood City, Pa., writes for information. We quote from her letter:

"One day as a friend and I were walking in the woods I noticed a bush with very large leaves. I reached my hand up, intending to pick a leaf, but, to my horror, something round and as soft as fur touched my hand, and at that moment it chirped, raised its wings and flew. I have read many books about birds, but never heard of a bird with fur. What was it?"

We should say, Elizabeth, that you touched a bat. Bats are not birds, nevertheless, they have wings. In their general anatomy they show a close relationship to shrews and moles. They are interesting little creatures that fly at night and sleep daytimes.

### PINE NEEDLES

#### NOVEMBER QUESTIONS

I. What bird often builds under bridges?

II. What bird digs a hole in the ground and lays its eggs at the bottom?

III. Name some of the birds who nest in colonies.

IV. Where and how is the nest of the Ovenbird built?

V. Where does a Screech Owl prefer to build its home?

VI. Name several birds that return year after year to the same nesting site?

VII. Where does the Cowbird lay its eggs?

VIII. What does the nest of the Ruby-throated Hummingbird resemble?

IX. Why does the Long-billed Marsh Wren build several "dummy" nests in the vicinity of its real nest?

X. What is peculiar about the plumage of a nest of young Yellow-billed Cuckoos?

#### ANSWERS TO OCTOBER QUESTIONS

I. Young and old curl up together in a hollow tree and go to sleep. A warm wave will usually awaken them, and they come out to look around, but when it turns cold again they hurry back, and spend the rest of the winter taking naps, sometimes sleeping only a few days without waking, sometimes a week at a time.

II. They are so fat from eating grasshoppers and crickets that their little feet can hardly carry them.

III. There are only three seasons in a year to a woodchuck,—spring, summer and autumn, for he sleeps away the winter.

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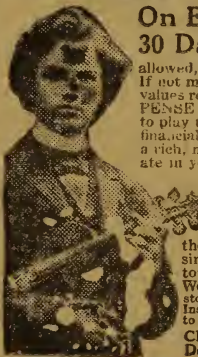
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VI. By giving him a coat of pure white.

VII. Many crawl into dark corners of old buildings or hollow trees and hibernate, but certain species migrate southward the same as the birds.

VIII. The workers and the drones die in the fall, and the queens hide themselves in protected places and remain torpid till spring.

IX. The trout runs up stream and spawns in November; at this time the male turns as brilliant in color as an autumn leaf.

X. On many beeches and oaks the dead leaves cling till they are pushed off by the new leaves in spring.

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or the branches that are used commercially come from New Mexico and Oklahoma and in small quantities from Tennessee, Kentucky and Arkansas. It is very seriously injured from freezing in transit.

Inside the white berries, which are the size of small currants, is a sticky juice which serves to attach the seeds to the branches of trees, where they grow when they germinate. These little berries are the favorite food of thrushes, and the birds propagate the mistletoe when they rub their beaks against the bark of the branches and deposit the seeds. Bird lime is made from both seeds and bark.

So let us hang up Christmas greens  
And make our hearts feel jolly,  
The mistletoe and mountain laurel,  
And branches of shining holly.

Dorothy E. Fisher, Penna.

I am told that Amaryllis and Iris refuse to bloom until the second year after being moved. I have found this to be true.

One reader says that dahlias grow better for her from seeds than from tubers, that is my experience, too. Geisha is our choicest dahlia this year, an enormous yellow and pink flower. Oh, how beautiful it is in baskets with light blue delphinium!

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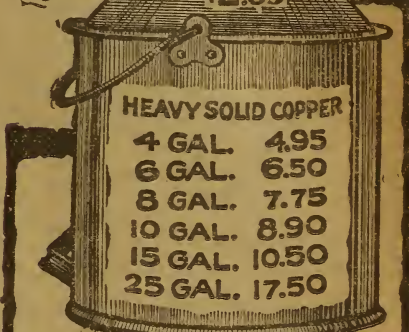
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Parsley can be easily grown in any garden and is very useful for garnishing and flavoring. The seeds are slow to come up, so one may get discouraged waiting. The curly and the mossy are the prettiest varieties and seem to have a better flavor. Seed sown thickly produces a most luxuriant growth of pretty green that is a spot of beauty in any garden.

When there is more than we can use fresh, we cut it and dry it in some place where there is air, but not too much light, else it will discolor. When it is good and dry we store it in sacks until wanted, then put it in a warm oven for a few moments to be sure it is thoroughly dry before grinding in a meat chopper with a fine plate. This is far superior to pulverizing by hand, as even the stems are ground to a delicately scented powder. We put this up in small boxes, which we cover with fancy paper to give to our friends at Christmas.

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## BUDDLEIA MAGNIFICA

How many flower lovers appreciate *Buddleia magnifica* to its full extent? It is such a satisfactory shrub and has so many uses. I have found it especially desirable in foundation planting with both *hydrangea arborescens* and *paniculata*. The top dies down in winter, which eases the mind of the "practical one" who dislikes to have branches whipping against the side of the house, but shoots up in the spring, and, as it grows like Jack's bean-stalk, quickly gains the dimensions of a shrub.

The plant begins budding in June and is soon a mass of long, waving, lilac-like plumes which remind one of its common name of summer lilac, although, unlike its namesake, it blooms all summer long, and when frost comes is still full of buds and blossoms. It makes a fine background of green and lavender for the immense white blooms of the *hydrangeas* and this combination does especially well on the north side of a house.

*Buddleias* are very easily propagated and grow quickly from cuttings, so one can soon have them in great quantities, with but small expense. Cuttings placed under jars last November were in bud by the first of July of this year. This is also a good way to root roses, as hybrid teas and ramblers so treated bloomed this summer, too. Wilda M. Carson, Ind.

Never burn leaves in the fall! We pile ours in a pen in the cow lot and throw the fertilizer over them. By the next fall they will have formed a fine compost ready for use.

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yesterday we saw her taking in a pan of "Rock Roses" and a box of Johnny-jump-ups. "See their pretty little faces," she called over, "I couldn't bear to let the frost kill them."

The summer bulbs have fulfilled their mission, and now comes the time to lift and cure them, and store them for winter. When the flowers are at their best is the time to label them; otherwise next year's planting plan will not develop satisfactorily.

### PREPARING DAHLIAS FOR THE WINTER

As soon as the first frost has spoiled foliage and flowers, the dahlia roots should be taken up. Loosen the soil thoroughly all around the roots, then work the spade well under them. Pulling them up by the stem is liable to break off some of the larger divisions of the tuber at the point where they make a growth next season. Cut the stems to within about three inches of the roots, and work the soil from the roots carefully with the hands. Lay the clumps down so water will not accumulate in the soft, hollow stems and cause crown rot. We cure our roots in a cool, dry shed which is adjacent to the garden; we lay them on boards and turn them occasionally so that they will dry out evenly, and after a week or ten days they are ready for winter quarters in a dry, frost-proof cellar where the temperature is about 40 degrees. If the cellar is inclined to dampness, sprinkle air-slacked lime under the dahlia shelf, and cover the bulbs with fine, dry sand.

### LIFTING GLADIOLI

Loosen the earth with a fork and lift the gladioli by their stems. Spread on boards or hang up by the stems in an airy shed till the foliage has ripened and the bulbs are dry. Then cut off the foliage, and remove the old shriveled corms from the bottom of the new bulbs. Store in a gunny sack, in a potato cellar. If kept near the heat of a stove or furnace pipes where the air is too dry, the bulbs shrivel and lose much of their vitality before time to plant.

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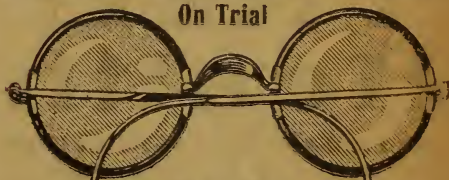
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## KEEPING GERANIUMS OVER

We passed a flower garden in autumn where geraniums were being taken up and carried into the house. "What are you going to do with them?" we asked. "Oh," the lady of the spade replied, "I put them down cellar. I always know they will die before spring but I haven't the heart to throw them away in the fall when they are alive."

We ourselves tried it out last year, but with better success. When the first hard frosts came there was the porch box, eight feet long by ten inches deep and eight inches wide, holding twenty-five red geraniums that were loaded with bloom. We had no room indoors for them, and, like the lady with the spade, we hadn't the heart to throw them away; so we put a big box in the cellar, turned in some dirt, set the geraniums in and covered their roots with more dirt, then told them to live if they could, and left them there till spring. When spring opened we brought them up. They were a sorry looking lot. We had little hope that they would ever grace the porch box again, but we decided we would give them a chance for their lives, so we removed the dead

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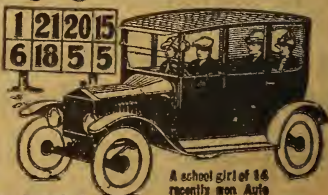
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leaves and cut the stems back, and made a trench out in the vegetable garden and set them in. If ever any living thing responded to a kindness, those geraniums did! They began to send forth little green leaves, and by the time we were ready to fill the porch box they were in very good condition, some of them even budded. We filled the box with a good rich compost and set twenty of the geraniums in, and all summer they have been covered with great trusses of red blossoms. At one time in August we counted one hundred and sixty-nine buds and blossoms.

### ASPEDISTRA LURIDA

Another plant which survived through sheer grit and earned what promises to be a permanent place in our household is an aspedistra. Years ago we discarded it and set pot and all out in the shrubbery where it soaked through a rainy season and dried up the remainder of the summer. One day one of the family discovered it and called out, "Hi, what's old Von Pronk doing out here?" We investigated, and found it still hale and hearty after all its hardships, so it was reinstated, and since then spends its summers in a shady corner of the porch and its winters in the dining-room. It is a great plant with scores of leaves, some of them two and a half feet long. Occasionally a leaf shows white stripes like the variegated type, *aspedistra lurida variegata*.

If one were looking for a foliage plant for the house, one that will thrive in gas, dust, shade, and with almost no care, we would cheerfully recommend *aspedistra*. Its little reddish-brown flowers hug the ground at the base of the stems and are quite inconspicuous but interesting. They remind one a little of the modest blossoms of the wild ginger.

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are baked, the plum pudding made, the cranberries stewed and the turkey roasted, all through the hills and hollows we will be gathering around the family boards with glad hearts and friendly faces, re-joining together because we, like our forefathers have "gathered the fruit of our labors."

For the hay and the corn and the wheat that is reaped,  
For the labor well done, and the barns that are heaped,  
For the sun and the dew and the sweet honeycomb,  
For the rose and the song, and the harvest brought home—  
Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving!"

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ated around the holiday season.

Paper Whites and Chinese Sacred Lilies nearly everybody knows about. Our Chinese laundryman, in the city, always gave us a sacred lily when we went to get our father's shirts and collars around Christmas time. We carried the bulbs home carefully and put them in bowls on top of pretty white pebbles from the garden. These bulbs were our very own and we watched them closely, more so than we could those other kinds our mothers had planted because our bulbs did not have to be placed in the dark cupboard to root. They grow altogether in the light. One bulb furnishes a great many long green leaves and several spikes of fragrant blooms, nearly always single, sometimes double, of silvery white petals with golden cups.

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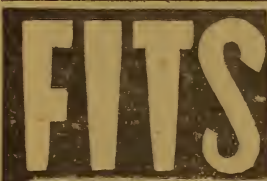
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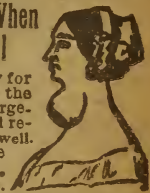


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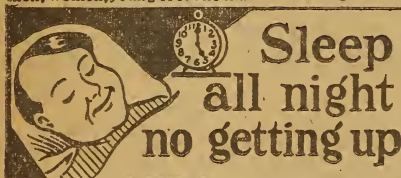
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Q. What is the matter with my Dahlias this year? I planted them the same as ever and some of the tubers were as firm as a potato when I dug them up in September, but showed no sign of growth. Others grew six feet high with no flowers. J. K., N. Y.

A. The Dahlias that did not grow had no eyes. Next year, when you plant your Dahlias, as soon as they have four branches pinch them back to the ground leaving only two. If you failed to do this those that did grow put their energies into developing foliage instead of flowers.—EDITOR.

Q. What plants would you suggest for a window box that is in the sun? I. D., Ohio.

A. For sunny situations, the following plants would do well in window boxes: Cobaea Scandens, Phlox Drummondii, Nasturtiums, Verbena, Lobelia Erinus, Coleus, Lantana, Cuphea, Portulaca, Mesembryanthemum, Sweet Alyssum and German Ivy, or Wandering Jew.—EDITOR.

Q. What can I do for the blister beetle? O. C., Ind.

A. Blister beetles are hard to fight because they appear suddenly and in great numbers, and die slowly. Potatoes and similar crops should be kept covered with Bordeaux mixture containing two pounds of powdered arsenate of lead to each 50 gallons. For crops that cannot be sprayed with this solution try beating with brushes made of weeds or light brush not beating hard enough to harm the crop, but with enough force to drive the beetles somewhere else, preferably a grass field, where they can be sprayed. Hand picking on small crops is effective, but slow.—EDITOR.

Q. How should anemones be grown? N. S. W. Va.

A. Anemones will do well in any good garden soil, but give best results in fresh, rather rich, sandy loam which is well drained. Some varieties prefer shade and others do best planted among rocks while the tuberous-rooted kinds do well in the hardy border.—EDITOR.

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